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June 12, 2013

## Independent Auditor's Report

 Mr. Daniel Dufreche, Chairman and Members of the Board of Commissioners
 Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1
 Ponchatoula, LA 70454

## Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit includes performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 June 12, 2013

### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 as of December 31, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on pages 23 through 25 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

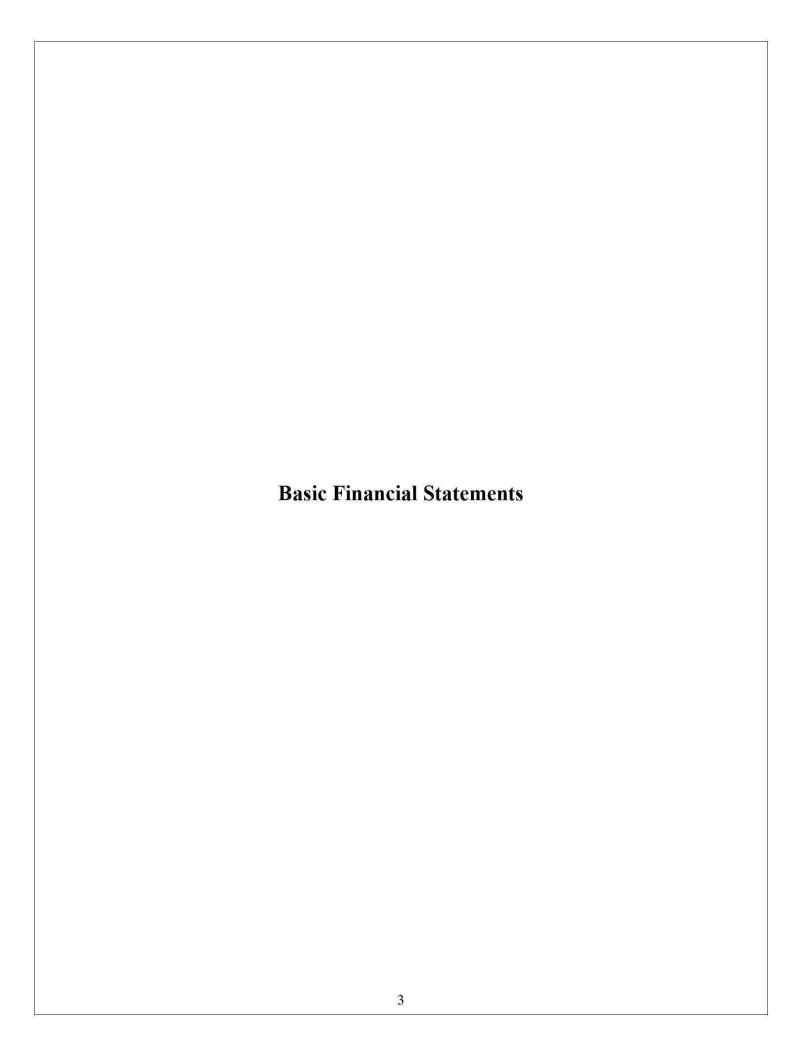
### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 12, 2013, on our consideration of the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Durnin & James, CPAs (A Professional Corporation)

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# Exhibit A

## Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Ponchatoula, Louisiana

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2012

	Governmental Activities
Assets	\$ 212.887
Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments	\$ 212,887 52,118
Accounts Receivable, Net	1,506,419
Prepaid Insurance	
Restricted Assets:	4,356
Cash and Cash Equivalents	60.501
Cash Held in Trust	60,501 650,087
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	9,810,697
Unamortized Bond Discount	86,393
Bond Issuance Costs, Net	89,589
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Total Assets	\$ 12,473,047
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 5,020
Accrued Payroll	1,937
Payroll Taxes Payable	7,168
Sheriff's Pension Payable	59,695
Accrued Interest Payable	19,301
Long-Term Debt - Current	345,000
Long-Term Debt - Non-Current	4,910,000
Total Liabilities	\$ 5,348,121
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 4,555,697
Restricted For:	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Capital Projects	650,068
Debt Service	574,058
Unrestricted	1,345,103
Total Net Position	\$ 7,124,926
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Exhibit B

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

							N	et Revenue
							(E	Expense) &
							C	Changes in
				Program	Rev	enues	N	et Position
			C	narges for		Capital	Go	vernmental
	, s	Expenses		Services		Grants		Activities
Governmental Activities:								
Parks and Recreation	\$	637,842	\$	-	\$	91,587	\$	(546,255)
Depreciation		259,032		-		8=		(259,032)
Amortization of Bond Issuance Costs		6,732		-		8-		(6,732)
Interest on Debt Service		238,311		-		# <b>=</b>		(238,311)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	1,141,917	\$	-	\$	91,587		(1,050,330)
General Revenues:								
Ad Valorem Taxes								1,516,446
State Revenue Sharing								109,795
Other Income							15	42,384
Total General Revenues							2	1,668,625
Change in Net Position								618,295
Net Position - Beginning of the Year								6,506,631
Net Position - End of the Year							\$	7,124,926

Exhibit C

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet December 31, 2012

	88	General Fund	_	Debt Service Fund	G	4-Mill ymnasium Fund	9 <u>1</u>	Total
Assets	- 1		14					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	212,887	\$	-	\$	-	\$	212,887
Investments		52,118		-		X=		52,118
Accounts Receivable, Net		1,102,822		-		403,597		1,506,419
Restricted Assets:								
Cash and Cash Equivalents				707		59,794		60,501
Cash Held in Trust	2	650,068			-	19	3-	650,087
Total Assets	\$	2,017,895	\$	707	\$	463,410	\$	2,482,012
Liabilities and Fund Balances Liabilities: Accounts Payable Accrued Payroll	\$	5,020 1,937	\$	-	\$	2=	\$	5,020 1,937
Payroll Taxes Payable		7,168		_		_		7,168
Pension Fund Mandate Payable		42,639		9 <del>75</del> 8		17,056		59,695
Total Liabilities		56,764	87		10 20	17,056	(i) (i)	73,820
Fund Balances:								
Restricted for Capital Construction		650,068		_		~		650,068
Restricted for Debt Service		126,997		707		446,354		574,058
Unassigned		1,184,066		-	£			1,184,066
Total Fund Balances	_	1,961,131		707		446,354	1	2,408,192
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	2,017,895	\$	707	\$	463,410	\$	2,482,012

Exhibit D

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

## **Total Fund Balances, Governmental Funds (Exhibit C)**

2,408,192

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Governmental Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation at December 31, 2012

9,810,697

Prepaid Insurance at December 31, 2012

4,356

Governmental funds report bond issuance costs as expenditures. However, in the statement of net position, bond issuance costs are amortized over the life of the bond and are reported as amortization expense. This is the amount of unamortized bond issuance costs.

89,589

In the statement of net position, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditures is reported when due.

(19,301)

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:

Current (Short-Term) Obligations:

Revenue Bonds

(345,000)

Non-Current (Long-Term) Obligations:

Revenue Bonds

(4,910,000)

**Unamortized Bond Discount** 

86,393

**Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A)** 

\$ 7,124,926

# Exhibit E

## Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Ponchatoula, Louisiana

Statement of Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

		General Fund		Debt Service Fund	G	4-Mill ymnasium Fund		Total
Revenues:								
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	1,083,176	\$		\$	433,270	\$	1,516,446
State Revenue Sharing		109,795						109,795
Grants		91,587		=				91,587
Other Income	% <u></u>	42,365	53		3	19	湿	42,384
Total Revenues		1,326,923		-		433,289		1,760,212
Expenditures:								
Parks and Recreation:								
Salaries and Related Benefits		326,864		-		( <u> </u>		326,864
Legal & Professional		8,522		-		48		8,522
Repairs & Maintenance		106,044		-		( <u>=</u>		106,044
Telephone & Utilities		63,111				(644)		63,111
Office Expenses		18,294		25		25		18,344
Insurance		34,691		<u>"</u>		(62)		34,691
Pension Fund Mandate		42,639		100		17,056		59,695
Other		20,269		<del>-</del>		182		20,269
Capital Outlay		905,245		1000		(144)		905,245
Debt Service	18	<b>4</b> 7	3	71,921		572,583	15	644,504
Total Expenditures		1,525,679	124	71,946	-	589,664	2	2,187,289
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures		(198,756)		(71,946)		(156,375)		(427,077)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Operating Transfers In (Out)		(226,362)		70,500		155,862		<b>≅</b> 8
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	o <del>s</del>	(226,362)	12	70,500	8	155,862	ST.	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and		(425 110)		(1.440		(512)		(427.077)
Other Uses		(425,118)		(1,446)		(513)		(427,077)
Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year	15	2,386,249	ii	2,153		446,867	15	2,835,269
Fund Balance - End of the Year	\$	1,961,131	\$	707	\$	446,354	\$	2,408,192

Exhibit F

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance to the Government-Wide Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

## Net Change in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds (Exhibit E)

(427,077)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. These differences consist of:

Capital Outlay	905,245
Depreciation Expense	(259,032)

Governmental funds expense insurance payments when paid. In the statement of activities, only the portion applicable to the current year is expensed. The remaining is recorded in the statement of net position as prepaid insurance.

Prior Year Prepaid Insurance	(4,658)
Current Year Prepaid Insurance	4.356

In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due. This is the change in accrued interest from the prior year:

Prior Year Accrued Interest	19,744
Current Year Accrued Interest	(19,301)

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.

Amortization of Bond Issuance Costs	(3,427)
Amortization of Bond Discount	(3,305)
Repayments of Long-Term Debt	405,750

### Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit B)

618,295

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

### Narrative Profile

The Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1, Ponchatoula, Louisiana, was created by an ordinance of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on April 22, 1996, "as a recreation district to consist of territorial lands and property, both real and personal, in the parish, in accordance with R.S. 33:4562 et seq., and Article 6, Section 19 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, to be a body corporate in law and a subdivision of the State, known as "Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 (the "District")."

The District contains within its limits one municipality, the City of Ponchatoula. The governing body of this municipality has given consent to the inclusion of such municipality in the District. The District shall be and is a political subdivision of the State, within the meaning of the constitution and statutes of the State relating to incurring debt and issuing bonds therefore.

The objectives and purposes of the District are to own and operate playgrounds and other facilities and to engage in activities that would promote recreation and any related activity designed to encourage recreation and promote the general health and well-being of youths and all of the goals and purposes as authorized by law. Revenues for the District include property taxes and state revenue sharing. Major expenditures of the District include capital outlay, debt service, maintenance, supplies, and salaries and related benefits.

The accounting and reporting policies of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes (LRS) 24:513 and to the guidance set forth in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, and to the industry audit guide, Audits of State and Local Governmental Units.

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### A. Financial Reporting Entity

All board members of the District are appointed by the Tangipahoa Parish Council. As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Tangipahoa Parish Council is the financial reporting entity for Tangipahoa Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) primary government (parish council), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Because the board members of the District are appointed by the Tangipahoa Parish Council, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Tangipahoa Parish Council, the financial reporting entity.

The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District and do not present information on the parish government, the general governmental services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

## B. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to maintain its financial records and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

transactions related to certain District functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

### Governmental Funds

Governmental funds account for all of the District's general activities. These funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between a governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources that may be used to finance future period programs or operations of the District.

<u>General Fund</u> – the primary operating fund of the District, which accounts for the operations of the District, except those operations required to be handled in a separate fund. The General Fund is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred in accordance with state and federal laws and according to District policy.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> – accounts for the receipt and disbursement of funds required to service the District's outstanding bonded indebtedness.

<u>4-Mill Gymnasium Special Revenue Fund</u> – used to account for the collection of the 4-mil property tax dedicated for the construction and debt service for the gymnasium facility in the District.

#### C. Measurement Focus / Basis of Accounting

Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include all the non-fiduciary activities of the District with most of the interfund activities removed. Information contained in these statements reflects the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Interest earnings and other revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. The District does not allocate indirect expenses.

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows or Resources, and Net Position. GASB 63 provides guidance for reporting deferred outflows or resources, deferred inflows or resources, and net position in a

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

statement of financial position and related disclosures. The reader will note a change in terminology from "net assets" to "net position."

Basic Financial Statements - Governmental Funds

The amounts reflected in the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, and 4-Mill Gymnasium Special Revenue Fund are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to a government-wide view of the District's operations.

The amounts reflected in the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, and 4-Mill Gymnasium Special Revenue Fund use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt, which are recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

<u>Revenues</u> – Ad valorem tax revenue, state revenue sharing revenue, and interest revenue are recorded when due. Other revenues are generally recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets (i.e. when the service is performed). Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

<u>Expenditures</u> – Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

<u>Reconciliation</u> - Explanation of differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net position is presented in Exhibit D of the basic financial statements. Explanation of differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities is presented in Exhibit F of the basic financial statements.

#### D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Budgetary procedures applicable to the District are defined in state law, Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1301-15. The major requirements of the Local Government Budget Act are summarized as follows:

- 1. The District adopts a budget each year for the general fund and special revenue funds, if applicable.
- 2. The Chairman prepares a proposed budget and submits it to the Board of Commissioners for consideration no later than fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. At the same time, if

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

total proposed expenditures are \$500,000 or more, a notice of public hearing on the proposed budget must be published in the official journal.

- 3. All action necessary to adopt and implement the budget must be completed prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. A hearing on the proposed budget was held on December 20, 2011. The budget was adopted on December 20, 2011.
- 4. Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one program or function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated require the approval of the Board. The budget was amended on December 13, 2012.
- 5. The budgets are integrated into the accounting system, and the budgetary data, as presented in the financial statements for all funds with annual budgets, compare the expenditures with the amended budgets. All budgets are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General Fund presents actual expenditures in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America on a basis consistent with the legally adopted budgets as amended. Unexpended appropriations on annual budgets lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

#### E. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Under State law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana. In addition, the District may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

Investments for the District are reported at fair market value. The state investment pool (LAMP) operates in accordance with state laws and regulations. The reported value of the pool is the same as the fair value of the pool shares.

#### F. Inventory

Inventories for supplies are immaterial and are recorded as expenditures / expenses when purchased.

#### G. Prepaid Items

The District recognizes expenditures for insurance and similar services extending over more than one accounting period when paid.

#### H. Capital Assets

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The District maintains a threshold level of \$300 or more for capitalizing assets.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

Capital assets are recorded in the statement of net assets and statement of activities. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public purposes, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes.

## I. Pension Plans

The District is not a member of any retirement system, but is a member of the social security system.

## J. Long-Term Obligations

Long-Term Obligations are recorded in the statement of net assets and statement of activities.

#### K. Compensated Absences

The District has the following policies related to sick and vacation leave:

#### Sick Leave

Full-time employees who have been with the District for one year will be given one-week sick leave. Full-time employees can accrue up to two weeks of sick leave time. When an employee has more than two weeks of sick leave available, they will lose the excess time.

#### Vacation Leave

All full-time employees who have been with the District for one year will be given one week of paid vacation based on their vacation hours earned. All full-time employees who have been with the District for two years or more will be given two weeks of paid vacation based on their vacation hours earned. Full-time employees can accrue vacation time up to three weeks. When an employee has more than three weeks vacation time available, they will lose the excess time.

At the time of termination, full-time employees who have worked less than one year will not receive any paid vacation.

#### L. Fund Equity

GASB has issued Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, which defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories list below.

- 1. Nonspendable fund balances are associated with inventories, prepaids, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned).
- 2. Restricted fund balances include amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. Funds in the Debt Service Fund and the 4-Mill Gymnasium Special Revenue Fund are considered to be restricted due to existing debt service paid from those funds.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

- 3. Committed fund balances include amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Commissioners (the District's highest level of decision-making authority).
- 4. Assigned fund balances are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- 5. Unassigned fund balances are the residual classification for the District's general fund and include all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

The District's policy is to apply expenditures against nonspendable fund balances, restricted fund balances, committed fund balances, assigned fund balances, and unassigned fund balances, in that order, at the end of the fiscal year by adjusting journal entries.

Then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined (not including non-spendable amounts). Then any remaining fund balance amounts for the non-general funds are classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for the non-general funds to have negative unassigned fund balance when non-spendable amounts plus the restricted fund balances for specific purposes amounts exceed the positive fund balance for the non-general fund.

As of December 31, 2012, the District did not have any nonspendable, committed, or assigned fund balances.

#### M. Restricted Net Position

For the government-wide statement of net position, equity is classified and displayed in three components:

- 1. Net investment in capital assets Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- 2. Restricted Consists of resources with constraints placed on the use either by (a) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or by (b) laws through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3. Unrestricted All other resources that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### N. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make various estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

As reflected on Exhibit A, the District has cash totaling \$923,75 (of which \$710,588 is restricted) and investments totaling \$52,118 at December 31, 2012.

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

The following is a summary of cash and investments (bank balances) at December 31, 2012, with the related federal deposit insurance and pledged securities:

#### Bank Balances:

Insured (FDIC Insurance)	\$	275,788
Uninsured and Collateralized:		
Collateral held by pledging bank's trust department not in the District's name		650,087
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	2	) <del>=</del>
Total Deposits	\$	925,875

Even though the pledged securities are not held in the entity's name, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within ten days of being notified by the District that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

At December 31, 2012, the District's investment balances are as follows:

	Reported	Fair				
	Amount			Value		
Louisiana Asset Management Pool	\$	52,118	\$	52,118		

Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP) is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LSA-R.S. 33:2955.

GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure*, requires disclosure of credit risk, custodial credit risk, concentration of credit risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk for all public entity investments.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

LAMP is a 2a7-like investment pool. The following facts are relevant for 2a7 like investment pools:

- <u>Credit Risk</u>: LAMP is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's.
- <u>Custodial Credit Risk</u>: LAMP participants' investments in the pool are evidenced by shares of the pool. Investments in pools should be disclosed, but not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form. The public entity's investment is with the pool, not the securities that make up the pool; therefore, no disclosure is required.
- Concentration of Credit Risk: Pooled investments are excluded from the 5% disclosure requirement.
- <u>Interest Rate Risk</u>: 2a7-like investment pools are excluded from this disclosure requirement, per paragraph 15 of the GASB 40 statement.
- Foreign Currency Risk: Not applicable to 2a7-like pools.

The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based on quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the LAMP administrative office at 800-249-5267.

#### 3. Receivables

Receivables represent revenues earned in 2012 and received in 2013 as follows:

						4-Mill		
		General	D	ebt Service	G	ymnasium		
	<u></u>	Fund		Fund	9. 1	Fund	<u></u>	Total
Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff:								
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	1,029,141	\$	-	\$	407,797	\$	1,436,938
State Revenue Sharing		94,681		-		=10		94,681
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible		(21,000)		is.		(4,200)		(25,200)
Accounts Receivable, Net	\$	1,102,822	\$	3	\$	403,597	\$	1,506,419

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

## 4. Capital Assets

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012 are as follows:

	8	Balance 01/01/12	]	ncreases	Dec	ereases	v 0	Balance 12/31/12
Capital Assets not Depreciated:								
Land	\$	1,667,781	\$	141,672	\$	-	\$	1,809,453
Total Capital Assets not Depreciated		1,667,781		141,672		<u>₩</u>		1,809,453
Other Capital Assets:								
Buildings		5,463,738		104,058				5,567,796
Land Improvements		2,310,467		608,153		<del></del>		2,918,620
Equipment	5	317,400	44	51,362	72	I Billion	N 52	368,762
Total Other Capital Assets		8,091,605		763,573		40		8,855,178
Less Accumulated Depreciation:								
Buildings		152,187		136,959		<u>≃</u> %		289,146
Land Improvements		335,454		90,966		<u></u> 0:		426,420
Equipment	102	107,261	9	31,107	19	—————————————————————————————————————	0 0	138,368
Total Accumulated Depreciation	88	594,902	_	259,032		<b>=</b> €0	0 84	853,934
Other Capital Assets, Net		7,496,703		504,541		<del></del> 8		8,001,244
Totals	\$	9,164,484	\$	646,213	\$	180	\$	9,810,697

All capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Land	N/A
Buildings	40 Years
Land Improvements	20 - 30 Years
Equipment	15 Years

## 5. Changes in Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of debt transactions for the District for the year ended December 31, 2012:

	Ba	alance at		Debt		Debt	]	Balance at	D	ue Within
Type of Debt	0	1/01/12		Issued		Retired		12/31/12	_(	ne Year
Certificate of Indebtedness	\$	70,750	\$	-	\$	70,750	\$	=	\$	-
Revenue Bonds		5,590,000	2		8 W	335,000		5,255,000		345,000
	\$ :	5,660,750	\$	<b>-</b>	\$	405,750	\$	5,255,000	\$	345,000

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

Long-term debt at December 31, 2012, is comprised of the following:

## Certificates of Indebtedness:

\$141,500 Certificates of Indebtedness dated November 16, 2006; Due in annual installments of \$14,150 through November 1, 2016; With interest at 4.55% (Payable from a pledge of the excess revenues of the General Fund)

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#### Revenue Bonds:

\$6,160,000 Revenue Bonds (Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Project), Series 2009 dated August 11, 2009; Due in annual installments of \$105,000 - \$365,000 through March 15, 2039; With interest at variable rates.

\$ 5,255,000

Payments of Revenue Bond principal and interest are secured primarily by a pledge and dedication of the proceeds of the ten (10.00) mills, ten (10) year property tax approved by voters in the District on July 16, 2005, and the four (4.00) mills, thirty (30) year property tax approved by the voters in the District on November 4, 2008.

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding at December 31, 2012, including interest payments of \$3,681,471 are as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	41,500 COI		6,160,000 Revenue Bonds	5	Total
2013	\$ 1-	\$	574,058	\$	574,058
2014	s-		573,558		573,558
2015	÷-		572,758		572,758
2016	8 <b>-</b>		305,655		305,655
2017	8.		302,243		302,243
2018 - 2022			1,512,048		1,512,048
2023 - 2027	·=		1,510,964		1,510,964
2028 - 2032	9 <del></del>		1,497,586		1,497,586
2033 - 2037	n <del>-</del>		1,492,258		1,492,258
2038 - 2039	·=		595,343		595,343
			8,936,471		8,936,471
Less: Interest Portion	 (A)	10-	3,681,471		3,681,471
	\$ 	\$	5,255,000	\$	5,255,000

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

#### 6. Levied Taxes

The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes:

General Fund 10.00 Mills 4-Mill Gymnasium Fund 4.00 Mills

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1 each year. Taxes are levied by the District during the year, are billed to taxpayers, and become due in November. Billed taxes become delinquent on December 31. Revenues from ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year billed and recognized as revenue when billed. The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office bills and collects the property taxes using the assessed value determined by the Tax Assessor of Tangipahoa Parish. The taxes are generally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the ensuing year. For 2012, the District levied 14.00 mills for a total tax levy of \$1,516,466 on taxable property valuation totaling \$108,317,580.

#### 7. Dedication of Proceeds and Flow of Funds – Ad Valorem Tax

Proceeds of the 10 year special tax of 10 mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in the District (2012 collections \$1,083,176) are dedicated for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining, and / or operating recreational facilities and activities in and for the District.

The District, through its governing authority, adopted a resolution on November 15, 2006 authorizing the issuance of \$145,000 of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006, for the purpose of acquiring land for expanding existing facilities in the District for recreation purposes. In that resolution, the excess revenues of the District were pledged for payment of the certificates authorized and interest as they become due. The Certificates of Indebtedness were paid off on March 12, 2012.

Proceeds of the 30 year special tax of 4 mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in the District (2011 collections \$433,270) are dedicated for the purpose of providing funds to acquire, improve, and equip a multipurpose gymnasium facility and other recreation facilities within the District; to pay the operation and maintenance costs and expenses in connection therewith; and to authorize the funding of the proceeds of said tax into bonds.

The District, through its governing authority, adopted a resolution on July 28, 2009, authorizing the issuance of \$6,160,000 of Revenue Bonds (Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Project), Series 2009, for the purpose of acquiring, designing, constructing, and equipping a multipurpose gymnasium facility and other recreational facilities within the District. In that resolution, the proceeds of the ten (10.00) mills, ten (10) year property tax and the four (4.00) mills, thirty (30) year property tax were pledged and dedicated in an amount sufficient for payment of the bonds authorized and interest as they become due and for other purposes.

After funds have been set aside out of the revenues of the taxes for each tax roll year sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds for the ensuing calendar year, then any excess of annual revenues of the taxes remaining for that tax roll year shall be free for expenditure by the District for the purposes for which the taxes were authorized by the voters.

As of December 31, 2012, the District was in compliance with the bond covenants.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

#### 8. Interfund Transfers

	Transfers In From		ransfers Out To
General Fund:			
Debt Service Fund	\$ -	\$	70,500
4-Mill Fund	 -		155,862
Total General Fund	 ·=		226,362
Debt Service Fund:			
General Fund	 70,500	2	<b>1</b>
Total Debt Service Fund	 70,500	-	
4-Mill Fund:			
General Fund	 155,862		·-
Total 4-Mill Fund	\$ 155,862	\$	

Transfers are made from the General Fund to the Debt Service Fund to pay the debt service payments on the Certificates of Indebtedness and to the 4-Mill Fund to pay the debt service payments on the \$6,160,000 Revenue Bonds.

## 9. Operating Lease

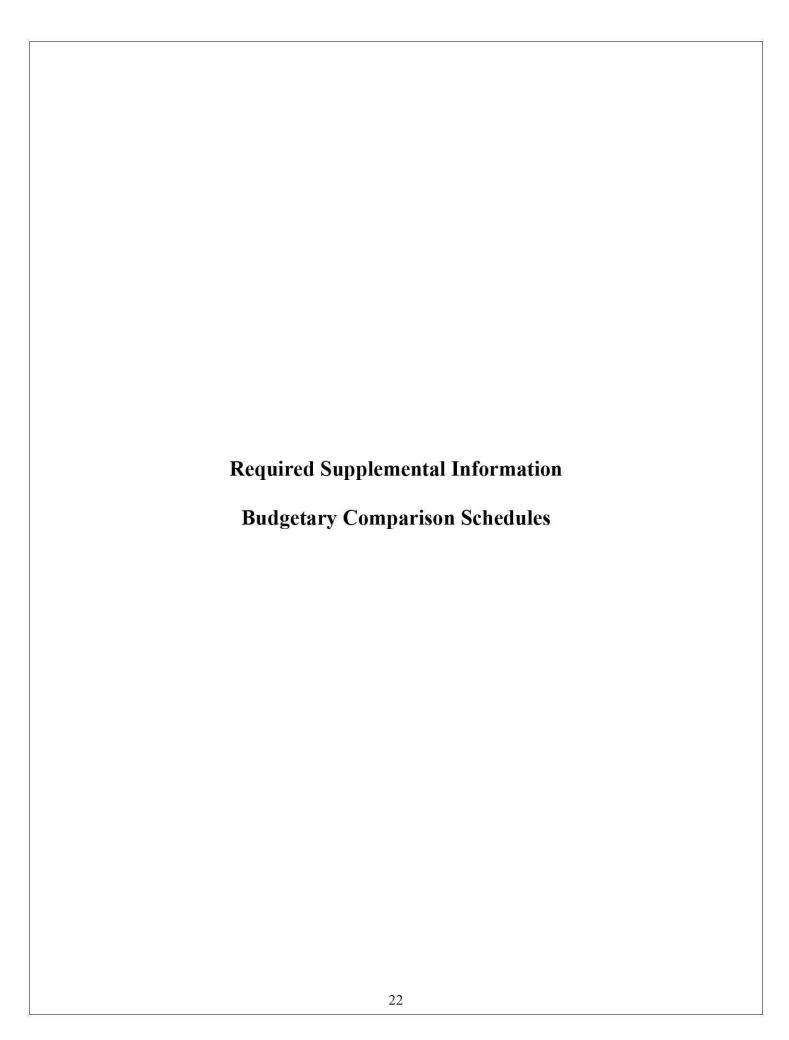
The District is renting a house for \$400 per month on a month-to-month basis. At December 31, 2012, \$3,600 was recorded as rental income.

### 10. Litigation

On September 25, 2010, an individual attending a public event at the District was injured. The matter was initially turned over to the District's insurance company; however, in March 2011, the District received a citation from the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Court in Tangipahoa Parish for petition for damages. As of the date of this report, the case is still in the investigative stage and it is not possible to tell what liability, if any, the District may have for the potential loss from such claim. Therefore, no accrual for any loss contingency has been made in the financial statements

#### 11. Subsequent Event

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, June 12, 2013, and determined that no events occurred that require disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.



# Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Ponchatoula, Louisiana

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

D	·	Original Budget	ÿ <u>.</u>	Final Budget		Actual Amounts Budgetary Basis	Fin Fa	iance with al Budget vorable / favorable)
Revenues:	O.	000 000	Ф	002 200	Ф	1 002 176	Ф	00.076
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	980,000	\$	992,300	\$	1,083,176	\$	90,876
State Revenue Sharing		81,729		81,729		109,795		28,066
Grants		17.150		91,587		91,587		7.051
Other Income	0	17,150	8	34,514	-	42,365	( <del>)</del>	7,851
Total Revenues		1,078,879		1,200,130		1,326,923		126,793
Expenditures:								
Parks and Recreation:								
Salaries and Related Benefits		270,000		329,675		326,864		2,811
Legal & Professional		22,000		12,000		8,522		3,478
Repairs & Maintenance		125,000		112,200		106,044		6,156
Telephone & Utilities		72,750		66,750		63,111		3,639
Office Expenses		22,600		22,200		18,294		3,906
Insurance		45,000		35,000		34,691		309
Pension Fund Mandate		35,000		40,000		42,639		(2,639)
Other		14,000		21,520		20,269		1,251
Capital Outlay	_	290,600		892,775		905,245		(12,470)
Total Expenditures	25	896,950		1,532,120		1,525,679		6,441
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures		181,929		(331,990)		(198,756)		133,234
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Operating Transfers In (Out)		(200,000)		(225,500)		(226,362)		(862)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	(200,000)	×	(225,500)	÷	(226,362)		(862)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses		(18,071)		(557,490)		(425,118)		132,372
Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year	-	2,386,249		2,386,249		2,386,249		I <b>₩</b> 0.
Fund Balance - End of the Year	\$	2,368,178	\$	1,828,759	\$	1,961,131	\$	132,372

# Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Ponchatoula, Louisiana

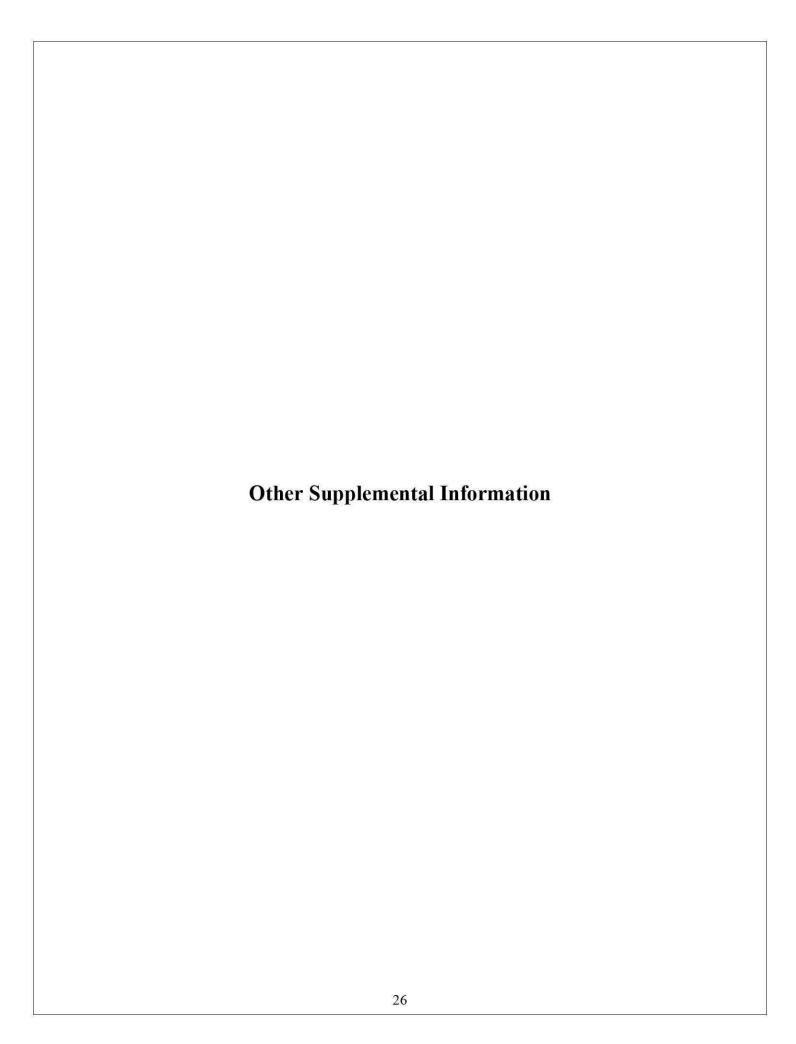
Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Debt Service Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

		riginal Budget	*	Final Budget	Α	Actual Amounts udgetary Basis	Fina Fav	ance with I Budget orable / avorable)
Revenues:			48		35-			
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	=0	\$	-	\$	S=1	\$	=0
Other Income	3	<b>₩</b> 00	Ş <del>-</del>	<b>1</b>	8	S#1	657	<b>₩</b> 90
Total Revenues		<b>■</b> 0		-		5 <del>=</del>		<b>■</b> 0
Expenditures: Parks and Recreation:				700 85		1070		
Office Expenses		-		25		25		<b>=</b> 0(
Debt Service	8	18,150	8	71,921		71,921	31	
Total Expenditures		18,150	15	71,946		71,946	18	
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures		(18,150)		(71,946)		(71,946)		<del>25</del> %
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Operating Transfers In (Out)	12	17,000	32	70,500		70,500	V.	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u> 29</u>	17,000	8	70,500		70,500	1000 1000	<u>=0</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and								
Other Uses		(1,150)		(1,446)		(1,446)		
Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year		2,153		2,153		2,153		-
Fund Balance - End of the Year	\$	1,003	\$	707	\$	707	\$	

# Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Ponchatoula, Louisiana

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – 4-Mill Gymnasium Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

						Actual		iance with
						Amounts		al Budget
		Original		Final	1	Budgetary		vorable /
	19.	Budget	18	Budget	8	Basis	(Un	favorable)
Revenues:								
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	400,000	\$	396,905	\$	433,270	\$	36,365
Other Income	8	<b>=</b> 0	88	<b>™</b> 1	-	19	( <del>)</del>	19
Total Revenues		400,000		396,905		433,289		36,384
Expenditures:								
Parks and Recreation:								
Pension Fund Mandate		16,000		16,000		17,056		(1,056)
Office Expenses		3,200		25		25		-0
Debt Service	a <del>.</del>	572,583	8	572,583		572,583	OH	•
Total Expenditures	100	591,783	12	588,608		589,664		(1,056)
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures		(191,783)		(191,703)		(156,375)		35,328
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Operating Transfers In (Out)	18	183,000	18	155,000		155,862	15	862
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	8	183,000	18 <del></del>	155,000	ë	155,862	e	862
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and								
Other Uses		(8,783)		(36,703)		(513)		36,190
Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year		446,867	8	446,867	8	446,867		-
Fund Balance - End of the Year	\$	438,084	\$	410,164	\$	446,354	\$	36,190



## Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1 Ponchatoula, Louisiana

# Schedule of Compensation Paid to the Chairman and Board of Commissioners For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

Name and Address	Position	Salary	Term Expires
Dr. William Wheat, Jr. 40316 Happywoods Road Hammond, LA 70403	Chairman / Commissioner	\$ -	April 2013
Ronald Rocquin 11533 Spring Creek Drive Hammond, LA 70403	Commissioner	-	April 2016
Shari Amerson 42251 Jefferson Court Ponchatoula, LA 70454	Commissioner	-	April 2017
Daniel Dufreche P.O. Box 635 Ponchatoula, LA 70454	Commissioner	_	June 2015
Eldrid L. Palmer, Jr. 18287 Sharon Drive Ponchatoula, LA 70454	Commissioner		April 2014
		\$ -	





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June 12, 2013

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements

Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

 Mr. Daniel Dufreche, Chairman and Members of the Board of Commissioners
 Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1
 Ponchatoula, LA 70454

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1, as of for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 12, 2013.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and recommendations, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider item 2011-01 described in the accompanying schedule of findings and recommendations to be a material weakness.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's Response to Findings

Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Respectfully submitted,

Durnin & James, CPAs (A Professional Corporation)

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Schedule of Current Year Findings, Recommendations, and Responses For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

## **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

## 2011-01 - Financial Statement Preparation

Condition: As is common in small organizations, management has chosen to engage the auditors to

propose certain year-end adjusting journal entries and to prepare the annual financial statements. Consistent with this decision, internal controls over the preparation of year-end adjusting entries and annual financial statements, complete with notes, have not been fully implemented. Under generally accepted auditing standards (GAAS), this condition represents a material weakness in internal controls. GAAS does not provide exceptions to reporting deficiencies that are adequately mitigated with non-audit services rendered by the auditor or deficiencies for which the remedy would be cost prohibitive or

otherwise impractical.

Criteria: Internal controls over the preparation of year-end adjusting entries and annual financial

statements, complete with notes, are necessary in order for management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct

misstatements of the financial statements on a timely basis.

Cause: This condition is intentional by management based on the District's lack of financial

complexity, along with the cost prohibitive nature of acquiring the ability to prepare

financial statements.

Effect: Management and employees are unable to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on

a timely basis in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation: We recommend no action be taken.

Management's

Response: Management has determined that the most cost effective and prudent use of District's

financial resources is to engage the auditor to propose year-end adjustments and prepare

the financial statements. As such, no action will be taken at this time.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

None

Schedule of Prior Year Findings, Recommendations, and Responses For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	Fiscal Year Findings		Corrective
Ref#	Initially Occurred	Description of Findings	Action Taken
Internal Cor	ntrol over Financial Repo	orting	
2011-01	December 31, 2011	Financial Statement Preparation	No action necessary
2011-02	December 31, 2011	Overpayment of Construction Contract Invoice	Amounts repaid by contractor
2011-03	December 31, 2011	Invoices not Approved when Checks Signed	Invoices approved when checks signed by authorized check signers

# Compliance and Other Matters

None